

18 December 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: Huntington D. Sheldon, AD/CI
Sherman Kent, AD/NE

SUBJECT: Positive Intelligence Collection
Priorities [redacted]

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1. Attached for your information and comment is a memorandum from the Secretary of the IPC dealing with positive intelligence collection [redacted]

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2. Your comments should include:

a. Your views on the objective statement attached to [redacted] statement and any suggestions for its improvement;

b. Your recommendations for specific targets within each of the items, having in mind that such targets as suggested by Mr. [redacted] should be organizations or persons;

c. You should think of such targets in terms of their continued existence--that is, they are likely to be functioning and relevant, let's say, past eighteen months.

3. As a later step in this process you will be requested to submit specific requirements for clandestine collection but this will be done only when CS/CIA takes the initiative with us on the basis of live capabilities.

4. It would be appreciated if I might have your views by January 5, 1954.

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